effect from 12-5-1988 they have now been made ineligible to get general pool accommodation.

PEPSICO Project

1388. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the editorial published in the Tribune of December 23, 1988;

(b) whether it is a fact that Pepsico project has been given to Punjab Agro Industrial Corporation;

(c) if so, the reason for PAIC getting less than 25% share-holdings in the project; and

(d) whether Central Government or Punjab Government or PAIC is likely to get any Agriculture and Horticulture benefits, with PAIC being in such a low minority?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Punjab Agro Industries Corporation was the applicant in the Pepsico project which was co-promoted by M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation, Pepsico Inc. USA and Voltas Limited. The applicant has been granted a Letter of Intent on the 28th September, 1988.

(c) The shareholding of Punjab Agro Industries Corporation is to the extent of 36.1%.

(d) All manufacturing and agricultural/horticultural activities will be based in Punjab and hence it is expected that there will be significant benefits to the farmers in Punjab.

Payment of grant to the widow of deceased Food and Civil Supplies Officer, New Delhi

1389. SHRI MOTURU HANUMANTHA RAO:
SHRI E. BALANANDAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Administration have so far not paid to the widow of a Food and Supplies Officer Delhi, admissible grant of Rs. 3500/- from the compassionate Fund which was sanctioned to her by the Ministry of Finance vide No. Flo(4)-EV/82 dt. 5-2-82 read with letter No. Flo(4)—EV/82 CF dated 5-11-86;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the widow of the deceased officer has completed all the formalities long ago and whether she has made a number of representations in this regard to the authority; and

(d) if so, by when the widow is likely to be paid full amount of grant ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to (d) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Availability of High Quality Seeds in Andhra Pradesh

1390. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to ensure availability of good and high quality seeds to the farmers of Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details there of and the specific steps taken in this direction in Andhra Pradesh?